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SUBJECT: RENOVATION OF E-1/J-1

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1. CONTRACTING AND ENGINEERING STAFF HAVE JUST COMPLETED THREE DAYS OF DISCUSSIONS WITH ESY GREENVILLE ON WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES, INCLUDING PROPOSAL FOR SUBJECT WORK. UNTIL RECEIPT OF SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM ESY EARLY THIS WEEK, WE CANNOT BE AS SPECIFIC IN TERMS OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND SCHEDULE AS WE HAD OPTIMISTICALLY PROMISED IN REF A. WE CAN, HOWEVER, SHED SOME FURTHER LIGHT ON HOW ESY'S PROPOSAL WAS DEVELOPED, AND SOME OPTIONS WHICH WERE ACTUALLY CONSIDERED BY CONTRACTOR BUT NOT REPORTED. IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WE COVERED POINTS MADE IN  
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2. WE RAISED QUESTION OF FAILURE TO CONSULT LIAISON OFFICERS IN COURSE OF DEVELOPING PROPOSAL. RUDY STEFANCIK, WHO WAS PRESENT AT MEETING AND WHO SUBSTANTIALLY AUTHORED PROPOSAL, ADVISED US THAT ON HIS LAST TRIP TO SFM HE CONSULTED ED SPRAGUE ON SUBJECT, AND WAS ESCORTED TO BOTH

SITES BY SHEPARD, WHERE HE NOTED VIEWS OF LIAISON OFFICER WORKING AT E-1 AND J-1, MADE SKETCHES OF EXISTING

FACILITIES, ETC. ESY FEELS THEY WERE TRYING TO RESPOND TO VIEWS OBTAINED FIRST-HAND FROM AT LEAST FOUR LIAISON OFFICERS.

3. ESY TELLS US THEY HAVE DISCUSSED THE FIRE HAZARDS OF THE PRESENT BUILDINGS WITH THEIR FIRE PROTECTION CONSULTANT WHO CONCLUDED THAT, GIVEN THE LOCATION, INTERFURNISHINGS, AVAILABILITY OF WINDOW EMERGENCY EXITS IN BEDROOMS, AND INSTALLATION OF SMOKE DETECTORS, THE SAFETY HAZARD POSED BY THE BUILDINGS WAS NO GREATER THAN AN ORDINARY WOOD-FRAME STRUCTURE OF SIMILAR SIZE.

4. REGARDING ESTIMATES FOR ISRAELI-SUPPLIED BUILDING, BOTH MODULAR CONCRETE STRUCTURE AND HOUSE-TRAILER TYPE UNITS WERE INVESTIGATED, THE CHEAPER OF THE TWO BEING THE HOUSE-TRAILER TYPE AT THE QUOTED DOLS. 25 THOUSAND. MIKE KAPPLE HAS COPIES OF THE ESTIMATES OBTAINED FROM ISRAELI FIRMS.

5. ESY REPRESENTATIVES IN WASHINGTON WERE REASONABLY CERTAIN THAT KAPPLE AND HIS PEOPLE HAVE LOOKED INTO A BUILT-IN-PLACE CONCRETE STRUCTURE BUT COULD NOT PROVIDE SPECIFICS ON WHY IDEA WAS DISCARDED. THEY WILL CHECK LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR FILES AND LET US KNOW ON THIS POINT EARLY THIS WEEK.

6. THE AIR CONDITIONERS PROPOSED FOR INSTALLATION IN BEDROOMS ARE DUAL PURPOSE HEATING/COOLING UNITS, SO THAT THE HEATING PROBLEM SHOULD BE SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED. VENTILATION HAS BEEN PROPOSED FOR BATHROOM, AND ESY HAS NO PROBLEM WITH VENTING OVER KITCHEN UNIT.

7. INSULATED GLASS IN PORCH AREA WAS DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH. APPRECIATE YOUR POINT REGARDING OBSERVATION CAPABILITY, BUT INSULATED GLASS AROUND WHOLE AREA MAY POSE INCREASED SECURITY RISK, PARTICULARLY AT E-1 SITE. ESY QUITE WILLING TO MAKE PROPOSED WINDOW IN ENCLOSED AREA LARGER, OR ADD ONE OR MORE WINDOWS IF THAT WOULD HELP.

8. WE SEE NO REASON WHY DETAILS REGARDING SLEEPING AREA CHANGES AND ARRANGEMENT OF EQUIPMENT IN ENCLOSED PORCH AREA CANNOT BE WORKED OUT AT SFM, AS COST IMPACT WILL BE MINIMAL. FROM OUR DISCUSSIONS SO FAR, IT APPEARS THAT MODIFICATIONS PROPOSED, AS SUPPLEMENTED BY SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED IN REF B, WILL SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCE THE LIVE-

ABILITY OF THESE BUILDINGS. WE ARE NOW INCLINED TO AUTHORIZE ESY TO PROCEED ON BASIS OF THEIR PROPOSAL AS IFIED BY OUR DISCUSSIONS, WITHOUT ANY FURTHER SHUFFLING OF PAPERS AS IT NOW SEEMS TO MEET YOUR STATED REQUIREMENTS. HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE OTHER FACTORS INVOLVED, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

9. GETTING THIS JOB DONE MAY BE ANOTHER MATTER. WOLFE IS TALKING ABOUT TDY SUPPORT FOR THIS, AS WELL AS THE FIRE PROTECTION WORK THEY HAVE PROPOSED. OUR POSITION TO ESY HAS BEEN (A) IF TDY NEEDS CAN BE DEMONSTRATED BY KAPLE BASED ON WORKLOAD, WE WILL CONSIDER IT, (B) SEPARATE TDY FOR EACH JOB MAKES NO SENSE, AND (C) WE ARE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AWAITING YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON FIRE PROTECTION STUDY BEFORE UNDERTAKING FINAL NEGOTIATIONS.

10. WE HOPE THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THESE PROPOSALS AND RELATED ISSUES WITH YOU HERE NEXT WEEK. IN THE MEANTIME ANY COMMENTS YOU MAY HAVE ON FOREGOING WILL BE WELCOME. WE WILL PROVIDE YOU SUMMARY OF OTHER DISCUSSIONS BY SEPTTEL. CHRISTOPHER

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